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# ANNUAL REPORT

of the

## TOWN OFFICERS

of

# WEATHERSFIELD VERMONT



For the Year Ending

DECEMBER 31, 1961

PLEASE COME TO THE TOWN MEETING AND BRING THIS REPORT



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WEATHERSFIELD TOWN OFFICERS 1961

Moderator -----	Melvin R. Butterfield
Town Clerk -----	Elizabeth G. Murray
Selectman to 1962 -----	J. Philip Stapleton
Selectman to 1963 -----	Delmer M. Kelley
Selectman to 1964 -----	Irving A. McCoy
School Director to 1962 -----	Roald Cann
School Director to 1963 -----	Esther M. Young
School Director to 1964 -----	Roger Eastman
Road Commissioner -----	Daniel P. Jarvis
Lister to 1962 -----	Walter O. Murray
Lister to 1963 -----	Thelma P. Hoisington
Lister by Appointment -----	Michael J. Kamel
Auditor to 1962 -----	Bernard W. Harriman
Auditor to 1963 -----	Vera G. Murray
Auditor to 1964 -----	Bernice R. Hill
Treasurer -----	Irene P. Hoyt
Overseer of Poor -----	Delmer M. Kelley
Trustee of Public Money to 1962 -----	Andrew A. Titcomb
Trustee of Public Money to 1963 -----	Percy I. Bliss
Trustee of Public Money to 1964 -----	Helen W. May
Tax Collector -----	John L. Hurd
First Constable -----	Richard A. Connor
Second Constable -----	Robert Z. Gale
Town Agent -----	Herman S. Young
Town Grand Juror -----	Leon W. Cleveland
Cemetery Commissioner to 1962 -----	Louise W. Covell
Cemetery Commissioner to 1963 -----	Claude T. Butterfield
Cemetery Commissioner to 1964 -----	Andrew A. Titcomb
Cemetery Commissioner to 1965 -----	Clarence H. Martin
Cemetery Commissioner to 1966 -----	Grace Stevens
Library Trustee to 1962 -----	Dorothy N. Harvey
Library Trustee to 1963 -----	Muriel F. Raymond
Library Trustee to 1964 -----	Angelina J. Hurd
Library Trustee to 1965 -----	Mary M. Harlow
Library Trustee to 1966 -----	Margaret S. Jones

OFFICERS BY APPOINTMENT:

Assistant Town Clerks -----	C. A. Murray, Helen W. May
Assistant Treasurer -----	Perley L. Hoyt
Chairman of Civil Defense -----	Percy I. Bliss
Assistant Chairman of Civil Defense -----	Andrew A. Titcomb
Tree Warden and Fire Warden -----	Percy I. Bliss
Fire Warden -----	John T. Connor
Fence Viewers ---	Alan Hitchcock; Walter O. Murray; Perley L. Hoyt
Chairman Sign Control Ordinance -----	Andrew A. Titcomb
Truant Officers -----	Richard A. Connor; Roald Cann
Health Officer to September 30, 1963 -----	Lois Cann, R.N.

ELECTED AT GENERAL ELECTION, November 8th, 1960:

Weathersfield Town Representative ----- Irene P. Hoyt  
 Justices of the Peace: 2 years ending January 31, 1963 -  
 Percy I. Bliss; Norman J. Corey; Charles A. Murray;  
 Walter O. Murray; Robert M. Smurl; Herman S. Young  
 and Leon Cleveland (appointed by Governor).

WEATHERSFIELD TOWN MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 1961

The legal voters of the Town of Weathersfield and Town School District met in the Town Hall in Weathersfield, Vermont, on Tuesday March 7, A.D. 1961 at 10:00 A.M. and acted on the following articles:

Melvin R. Butterfield, moderator, opened the meeting at 10:00 A.M. read the warning and declared the ballot box for Article 2, open.

ARTICLE I. Melvin R. Butterfield re-elected moderator and Elizabeth G. Murray re-elected town clerk.

ARTICLE 2. Shall licenses for sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted to the Town? Yes 84 No. 18

Shall spirituous liquors be sold in the Town?  
Yes 78 No 21

The vote under this article was by ballot and the ballot box opened at 10:00 A.M. and closed at 3:00 P.M. A check list was used.

ARTICLE 3. Voted to accept the reports of the Town Officers.

ARTICLE 4. Voted \$350.00 for resurfacing or any extra amount permissible by law.

ARTICLE 5. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$2,000. to be used in conjunction with State Funds for building approximately one mile of hard surface road continuing the present hard surface one mile north on the Center Road. Voice vote "Yes."

Previous to this vote the article was amended to read: "Will the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to be used in conjunction with State Funds for building hard surface road to the South of the Grove?" The amended article was defeated by 70 votes no and 32 votes yes. Then it was voted to accept the article as originally written.

There was considerable discussion about the article and points made were: "Could the trees be saved at the Grove, that is what is bothering the Center people?" The survey hasn't been made at this time, not sure how many trees will be removed at the end of the Park, perhaps one tree at the far end of the Park would need to be removed." "Don't they calculate to go by this building?" "Think we should do it the mile, not leave a muddy spot". "Have to do the construction work ahead, that isn't done yet." "Assure you the Selectmen will inform you of our plans when this comes up and the Town will have a chance to vote on it."

ARTICLE 6. Voted to authorize the Selectmen and the School Directors to borrow money, if necessary, to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE 7. Voted to pay Town Officers the same as last year, \$1.25 and hour and 8 cents a mile for travel on town business.

ARTICLE 8. Election of Town Officers. See Town Officers for 1961 for those elected and appointed.

ARTICLE 9. Voted to appropriate \$600.00 for the Proctor Library and the Perkinsville Branch; \$50.00 of this sum to be used for the purchase of books to be added to the War Memorial Library.

ARTICLE 10. Voted to have the Town spend \$50.00 for spraying and care of the Memorial Grove of Trees in front of the Town Hall, trees in Ascutney Park and Perkinsville Park.

Previous to this vote the article was amended to spend \$150.00 for spraying and care of the Memorial Grove of Trees in front of the Town Hall, Trees in Ascutney Park and Perkinsville Park. This amendment was defeated.

ARTICLE 11. Voted to print the names of delinquent taxpayers and amount due from each in the Town Report.

ARTICLE 12. Voted to authorize the School Directors to pay up to the full amount of the Springfield High School tuition for secondary education for the school year 1961-1962.

An impressive program of historical essays and drawings of historical events and places in Weathersfield was presented by pupils of the Weathersfield Schools. Mrs. William Covell, who arranged the program, was introduced by Mrs. Perley Hoyt, general chairman of the Weathersfield Bi-Centennial Celebration.

ARTICLE 13. Voted to exempt the land and buildings of the Weathersfield Historical Society from all town taxes both real and personal property for a period of five years.

ARTICLE 14. Voted not to exempt the Connecticut River Grange from taxation.

ARTICLE 15. Voted to exempt the lands and buildings of the Weathersfield Bow Community Association from all town taxes, real and personal for a period of five years.

ARTICLE 16. Voted to instruct the School Board to provide telephone service in the Perkinsville, Ascutney, Marsh and Amsden Schools.

ARTICLE 17. Voted a sum not to exceed \$200.00 for expneses of the Weathersfield Bi-Centennial Celebration.

ARTICLE 18. Voted not to allow a 4% discount on all taxes paid prior to becoming delinquent.

ARTICLE 19. Voted a tax rate of \$6.50 divided as follows:

General Fund	\$1.32
Highways	.42
Winter Roads	.33
Equipment	.44
Deficit	.04
Schools	<u>3.95</u>
	\$6.50

ARTICLE 20. Voted to collect taxes as follows:

To pay taxes to Town Treasurer.

To have poll taxes due May 15 and delinquent after May 31st.

To have real and personal property taxes due August 1 and delinquent after November 1st.

To charge interest on delinquent taxes at the rate of one-half per cent per month or fraction thereof.

ARTICLE 21. The Town voted to accept the offer of Clarence H. Martin to construct and equip a building to be known as "Martin Memorial Hall", to be used as a Community, Recreational and Social Hall and for other public purposes; the same to be constructed upon a tract of land in Ascutney, which tract of land will be conveyed to the Town by Clarence Martin; construction on the proposed building to commence before March 15, 1963 and the cost for the constructing and equipping said building to be borne by Clarence H. Martin by his donating the sum for said purposes of between \$50,000 and \$75,000.00 and the plans for design and construction to be in accordance with such plans as may be mutually agreed upon by Clarence H. Martin, or his designated representative, and by the Board of Selectmen representing the Town.

The original article was amended by deleting the words "Town Hall" and inserting the words "Community, Recreational and Social Hall".

ARTICLE 22. A rising vote of thanks mixed with applause and cheers was extended to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Martin for their generous gift.

Rising votes of thanks were also extended to Everett R. Smith, retiring tax collector and trustee of Public Funds, former Justice of the Peace and former Selectman, and to Richard A. Connor, who declined re-election to the School Board, after serving on it faithfully for many years.

The meeting adjourned.

Elizabeth G. Murray

Weathersfield Town Clerk

## AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

In accordance with Section 3593Vs as amended, we here verified the existence of stated cash balances, inspected all securities, and to the best of our knowledge the following financial statements and reports of receipts and disbursements present the financial position of the town on December 31, 1961 and an accurate record of funds handled in the year then ended.

( Bernard W. Harriman  
AUDITORS( Vera G. Murray  
                  ( Bernice R. Hill

## SELECTMENS' REPORT

## NEW GENERATING PLANT

The town was blessed last year by the installation by the Central Vermont Public Service Corporation of a \$1,100,000.00 Gas Turbine-Generating plant in Ascutney. This equipment alone will increase the Grand List by at least \$3,667.00 and bring in a new tax income of about \$23,835.00 based on last year's \$6.50 rate. There were at least two other towns competing for this equipment, one with a lower real estate tax and a bad school problem, another with a much higher tax rate than ours.

Another similar installation is now being planned by Central Vermont to be in operation by this October and the Selectmen feel that we are in a favored position to receive this equipment. However, we can't afford to relax our efforts to keep down the tax rate and keep the Grand List growing to attract these installations.

## UNTRAVELED ROADS

The law requires that towns must maintain all legal town highways and are liable for neglect of bridges and culverts in the event that they become unsafe. Many of our highways have been untraveled for years and are not recognized by the State Department of Highways. Since a question of liability and responsibility exists that would require considerable expenditures, the Selectmen have acted to discontinue or change to legal trails, these roads not needed for public travel and they do not benefit taxpayers as a whole.

The roads have been surveyed, marked and land owners notified of proceedings. Specific information can be obtained from the Selectmen and maps can be examined at the Town Office in Perkinsville.

## TOWN HIGHWAYS

A 2 cent tax on gasoline, collected by the State is redistributed to the towns in proportion to their total mileage of town highways. These funds are earmarked for the improvement of Unselected Highways (those recognized as such and excluding State highways and State Aid highways)

In recent years this money has been put into the reconstruction of roads. This year the Selectmen plan to reduce construction work and put some of this money into improving the surfaces of present roads. We are planning to resurface with crushed gravel and in the Spring we are going to try out a "York Rake" for the purpose of raking large stones off the top of the roads. The price of this rake is \$680.00.

## RECREATION (BASIN) AREA

Work will be completed this Summer by the Government, including access roads, grading of area, bath house, toilets, picnic tables and fireplaces. There will be a boat landing on the East side of Stoughton Pond.

The Government will turn the recreational areas over to the State Water Conservation Board after construction is completed.

## RECOMMENDED TAX

The Selectmen recommend the following tax rate for 1962 using an estimated Grand List of \$19,000.00.

Figured without the 4% discount:

	1961	1962
General Fund	1.32	1.10
Highway	.42	.30
Winter Roads	.33	.30
Equipment	.44	.33
Deficit	.04	--
	2.55	2.03

Figured with 4% discount:

General Fund	1.57	1.34
Highway	.42	.30
Winter Roads	.33	.30
Equipment	.44	.33
Deficit	.04	--
	2.80	2.27

We particularly want to thank the State Highway Department and District Commissioners for the assistance in the work done on untravelled roads as well as on our highways. The town saved considerable money because of their services.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Philip Stapleton

Delmar M. Kelley

Irving A. McCoy

WEATHERSFIELD SELECTMEN

## AUDITORS BALANCE SHEET

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Assets: Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1962	None
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## Liabilities:

Due First National Bank on checking account	\$ 138.97
Deficit	\$ 138.97

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

Assets:

Treasurer: Cash on hand and in Bank	\$ 907.73
Tax Collector: Cash on hand	1,223.18
Owed town by Seward Construction Co. for gravel	882.00
Delinquent taxes due	3,324.22
Total Assets	\$6,337.13

Liabilities:

Notes Payable	\$5,000.00
Due Vt. Dept. of Social Welfare	153.25
Total Liabilities	\$5,153.25
Assets over Liabilities	\$1,183.88

1961 GRAND LIST

Taxable Real Estate	\$1,354,297.00
Taxable Personal Property	<u>105,609.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,459,906.00
1% of Total	\$ 14,599.06
Taxable Polls, 666 @ \$1.00	<u>666.00</u>
TOTAL GRAND LIST	\$ 15,265.06

## TAX STATEMENT

**TAXES BILLED**

Real Estate and Personal Property - \$14,599.06		
	@ \$6.50	\$ 94,893.89
Polls (666 @ \$6.50)		4,329.00
Old Age Assistance (666 @ \$5.00)		3,330.00
	TOTAL	\$102,552.89

TAXES COLLECTED

Real Estate and Personal Property	\$ 91,993.81
Polls and Old Age Assistance	6,635.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 98,629.31</b>

## REIMBURSEMENTS FOR FLOOD DAM LOSSES

From State of Connecticut	\$ 2,554.60
From State of Massachusetts	3,193.24
From State of Vermont	<u>638.65</u>
	\$ 6,386.49
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$105,015.80

DELINQUENT TAX STATEMENT

Delinquent January 1, 1961	\$ 2,287.09
Current Polls Delinquent	1,023.50
Current R.E. and P.P. Delinquent	<u>2,900.14</u>
	\$ 6,210.73

DELINQUENT TAXES COLLECTED:

Turned over to Treasurer by Collectors	\$ 1,615.41
Cash in hands of Collector	1,223.18
Taxes Abated	<u>47.92</u>
	<u>\$ 2,886.51</u>
TOTAL DELINQUENT JANUARY 1, 1962	\$ 3,324.22

DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS AS OF FEBRUARY 7, 1962

P O L L

Allen, Leonard	1960	\$11.60
Ashley, Benjamin	1960	11.60
Ashley, Arlene	1960	11.60
Burke, Everett	1958	11.45
Burke, Beverly	1958	11.45
Burke, Everett	1959	11.60
Burke, Beverly	1959	11.60
Bourey, Adell	1961	11.50
Cutting, Robert	1961	11.50
Jones, Harriet	1961	11.50
Jones, Theodosia	1959	11.60
Jones, Theodosia	1960	11.60
Jones, Theodosia	1961	11.50
LaPoint, William	1961	11.50
Maynard, Charles	1961	11.50
Maynard, Elizabeth	1961	11.50
Snide, Margaret	1961	11.50

REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

	<u>R. E.</u>	<u>P. P.</u>
Adams, Charles	1961	\$ 6.50
Allen, Claud & Magilla	1960	\$ 80.85
Allen, Claud & Magilla	1961	17.50
Curtis, Josia	1958	54.15
Curtis, Josia	1959	245.64
Curtis, Josia	1960	310.20
Curtis, Josia	1960	91.74
Emery, Max	1960	132.00
Jarvis, Shirley Est.	1961	130.00
Johnson, Colan	1960	9.90
Johnson, Colan	1961	9.75
Jones, Eslie & Harriet	1956	12.31
Jones, Eslie & Harriet	1957	23.46
Jones, Eslie	1959	17.82
Jones, Eslie & Harriet & Theodore	1961	18.85
Kittridge, Stephen	1961	18.18
McAllister, Gerald	1960	67.75
McAllister, Grace	1961	134.68
McAllister, Gerald	1961	52.00
Mackey, Richard	1961	103.35
Morse, Cecil Est.	1961	1.62
Maynard, Charles & Elizabeth	1960	7.80
Maynard, Charles & Elizabeth	1960	6.60
McCarron, Warren & Matilda	1961	59.40
Proctor, Earl	1961	97.50
Roys, Susie	1961	25.67
Smith, Robert & Carrie	1956	144.62
Smith, Robert & Carrie	1957	78.50
Towle, Bernard & Mary	1960	78.20
Towle, Bernard & Mary	1961	44.68
Whitney, Benjamin Est.	1960	48.75
Wilson, Ernest	11	4.09
	1961	19.50
	1.62	

## TREASURER'S STATEMENT

R E C E I P T S:

Cash on hand and in bank January 1, 1961 \$ 2,921.06

TAXES:

Current property paid including school taxes	98,380.30
Total current polls paid	6,635.50
Delinquent taxes	1,615.41
Interest on delinquent taxes	29.35
Taxes abated	47.92
	<u>\$106,708.48</u>

SELECTMEN'S DEPT.:

Dog Licenses	\$ 674.00*
Liquor Licenses	368.00
Fire Refunds	70.78
Blue-Cross-Blue Shield Ins. (Cash \$689.85; Payroll \$477.95)	1,167.80
Bank Loans	30,000.00
Refund from School Dept. for payment of note and interest paid in error from General Fund	10,116.11
Miscellaneous Refunds	58.56
Junk Yard License	25.00
Bi-Centennial Committee Refund	37.84
	<u>\$ 42,518.09</u>

WELFARE DEPT.:

Jessie Newhall Account	\$ 45.00
F. Barr Account	155.00
A. Sanderson Account	138.00
	<u>\$ 338.00</u>

SPECIAL EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT

Transfer of taxes due account	\$ 7,148.95
Loan in escrow	<u>18,000.00</u>
	<u>\$ 25,148.95</u>

HIGHWAY DEPT. STATE AID RECEIPTS

State Aid Construction Regular	\$ 2,002.60
" " " Special	4,181.70
Winter Maintenance	589.00
Dust Laying	200.00
Gravel Resurfacing	150.00
Unselected	1,349.75
Town Highways	<u>14,417.43</u>
	<u>\$ 22,890.48</u>
Refunds	\$ 109.28
Services and Supplies	1,070.10
C. H. Martin Refund for work on road	300.00
	<u>\$ 1,479.38</u>

TRANSFER OF TAXES:

Due highway general	\$ 6,823.98
Due highway winter	5,361.71
Earned with Equipment	18,853.50
From Selectmen Dept. for work on office wall	405.90
" " " " " Upper Falls Bridge	434.70
	<u>\$ 31,879.79</u>

	TOTAL HIGHWAY	\$ 56,249.65
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$233,884.23

\*There is \$1.00 due Treasurer on this item.

#### D I S B U R S E M E N T S

##### SELECTMEN DEPT.:

Road and Bridge Supplies and Repairs	\$ 5,518.10
Cemetery	343.48
Fires	251.00
Blue Cross Insurance	1,315.50
Loans (\$10,000 school paid in error-reimbursement)	40,000.00
Interest on loans	781.07
Assessments	9,930.03
Officers services	4,234.94
Officers expenses	638.62
Office expenses and supplies	1,544.26
Miscellaneous	1,167.43
Taxes due School Dept. Property	\$56,666.29
"    "    "    "    Polls	2,630.70
Mass.-Conn.-Vt.    Tax Losses	<u>3,881.02</u>
	64,178.01
Transfers:	
Taxes due highway acc't	12,185.69
"    "    "    "    special equip. Acc't.	7,148.95
"    abated	47.92
Due highway dept.	
Earned with equipment	18,853.50
Bridge and office wall	840.60
	<u>\$39,076.66</u>

##### HIGHWAY DEPT.:

Cash paid out as per highway acc't.	34,874.71
Blue Cross Insurance as Selectmen Acc't.	477.95
	<u>\$ 35,352.66</u>

##### WELFARE DEPT.

Cash paid out	\$ 3,197.31
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##### SPECIAL EQUIPMENT FUND

Loan in escrow	\$ 18,000.00
New truck purchased	2,541.00
Sandspreader and pins	545.80
Wausau Snow Plow	900.00
Truck's Tow Chains	740.63
Loan payment on loan in escrow	2,000.00
Interest on loan	720.00
	<u>\$ 25,447.43</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$232,976.50

CASH ON HAND AND IN BANK JANUARY 1, 1962 \$ 907.73

SELECTMEN'S DISBURSEMENTSTOWN OFFICES:

Treasurer, services and expenses	\$ 490.62	,,
1% of Polls	66.36	
1% of Real & Personal Property	919.94	
1% of Tax Losses	63.86	
	<u>1,540.78</u>	
Assistants to Treasurer	762.00	
Clerk, services and expenses	557.60	
Assistants to Clerk	6.06	
Listers	1,605.59	
Auditors	315.13	
Selectmen	<u>746.29</u>	
		\$ 5,533.45

TOWN OFFICE EXPENSE

Office supplies	\$ 268.36	
Telephone	83.47	
Lights	69.91	
Maintenance	24.38	
Fuel	200.44	
Repairs	<u>535.14</u>	
		\$ 1,181.70

TOWN HALL EXPENSE

Lights	\$ 35.82	
Maintenance	<u>52.89</u>	
		88.71

PRINTING & ADVERTISING

Town Reports	\$ 269.00	
Postmaster, stamps & envelopes	171.40	
Tax Notices	18.00	
Dog Tags & Licenses	<u>75.07</u>	
		533.47

INSURANCE

Fire	\$ 167.48	
Workman's Compensation	500.00	
Blue Cross, Blue Shield	<u>1,315.50</u>	
		1,982.98

TAXES

State Highway	\$ 2,989.62	
Old Age Assistance	2,997.00	
Vermont Agricultural Extension Service	295.09	
County	411.08	
Social Security	<u>305.60</u>	
		6,998.39

FIRE FIGHTING

Springfield Fire Dept.	\$ 106.00	
Ascutney	105.00	
Perkinsville	<u>40.00</u>	
		251.00

CEMETERY

Labor and Expense		286.48
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PROCTOR LIBRARY

Appropriation

600.00

ROADS, BRIDGES, SUPPLIES & REPAIRS

4,679.28

EQUIPMENT (Parts & Repairs)

786.44

ROAD MARKERS

40.00

PAYMENT OF LOANSPrincipal \$ 40,000.00  
Interest 781.07(Note of \$10,000.00 & Int. \$116.11 paid  
on school in error, reimbursed) \$40,781.07WORK ON TREES AND PARKS

300.00

OFFICERS BONDS

115.00

SCHOOL ACCOUNTTransfer due 1960 tax \$ 391.00  
Share of Polls 2,630.70  
Share of Real Estate 57,666.29  
Share of Flood Dam Loss Reimbursement 3,881.02

\$64,569.01

57.00

FLAGS & DISTRIBUTIONHEALTH OFFICER

17.53

COVERING TOWN DUMP

57.00

ATTORNEY & COURT FEES

133.31

BANK CHARGES (Safety Deposit Box)

3.30

BI-CENTENNIALAppropriated by Town \$ 200.00  
Expenses authorized by Selectmen 310.90

\$ 510.90

100.00

WATER RIGHTSRIGHT OF WAY

150.00

CONSTABLE FEES

96.36

MISCELLANEOUS

50.06

TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS

\$129,902.44

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

DISBURSEMENTS

Winter Work:

Labor	\$ 6,600.84
Repairs	219.39
Gas & Oil	1,370.28
Elec.	24.28
Misc.	808.42
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	\$ 9,023.21

General:

Labor	\$ 4,954.23
Repairs	314.24
Gas & Oil	2,223.10
Elec.	31.22
Supplies	187.70
Misc.	666.05
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	\$ 8,376.54

State Aid:

Unselected	6,009.18
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Taxes

Federal	\$ 1,340.22
State	234.76
Social Security	1,283.35
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	\$ 2,858.33

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$34,874.71
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Winter Work Highways Plowing & Sanding:

Labor	\$ 7,995.00
Equipment	1,062.55
Earned with Equipment	1,062.50
Received from State	1,349.75

Winter Work State Aid Center & Black Mt. Roads

Labor	\$ 639.50
Equipment	877.50
Sand	105.00
Chloride	75.95
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	\$ 1,697.95

Earned with Equipment	877.00
Received from State	589.00

State Aid Center Road:Construction & Tar

Labor	\$ 2,528.85
Equipment	4,148.31
Culvert	99.77
Sand	13.20
J. M. Giddings Moving Roller	22.50
Asphalt	<u>1,507.90</u>
	\$ 8,320.53

Chloride

Labor	\$ 25.25
Equipment	15.00
Chloride	384.00
Freight	<u>94.80</u>
	\$ 519.05

Earned with Equipment	\$ 15.00
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Resurfacing

Labor	\$ 196.65
Equipment	<u>280.00</u>
	\$ 476.65
Earned with Equipment	\$ 280.00

Unselected RoadsReservoir Road

Black Top	
Whitcomb Hot Mix	\$ 1,355.50

Chloride

Labor	\$ 90.90
Equipment	42.00
Chloride	800.00
Freight	<u>197.50</u>
	\$ 1,130.40

Earned with Equipment	\$ 42.00
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Camp Hill Road

Labor	\$ 1,499.95
Equipment	1,647.75
Dynamite & Caps	129.65
Material	<u>154.80</u>
	\$ 3,432.15

Earned with Equipment	\$ 1,303.50
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Connor Road

Labor	\$ 2,207.30
Equipment	2,781.50
Fill	116.00
Culverts	<u>342.06</u>
	\$ 5,446.86

Earned with Equipment	\$ 1,963.00
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<u>Chambers Road</u>			
Labor	\$ 671.85		
Equipment	1,014.50		
Culverts	344.69		
Fill	<u>45.20</u>	\$ 2,076.24	
 Earned with Equipment	\$ 596.50		
 <u>Tar C. H. Martin Road</u>			
Labor	\$ 188.05		
Equipment	176.38		
State Labor & Equipment	267.76		
Sand	6.80		
Asphalt	252.98		
J. M. Giddings Moving Roller	<u>22.25</u>	\$ 914.22	
Received from C. H. Martin		300.00	
Earned with Equipment	\$ 175.50	\$ 614.22	
 <u>George Jarvis Bridge</u>			
Labor	\$ 246.30		
Cement Mixer	25.00		
Cement	<u>116.10</u>	\$ 387.40	
 <u>Work for Victor Jarvis on Sub-Station</u>			
Labor	\$ 324.00		
Equipment	621.50		
Gravel	<u>71.10</u>	\$ 1,016.60	
 Earned with Equipment	\$ 621.50		
 <u>Town Office Wall</u>			
Labor	\$ 393.90		
Orangeburg Pipe	<u>12.00</u>	\$ 405.90	
 <u>Upper Falls Bridge</u>			
Labor	\$ 396.90		
Spikes	<u>37.80</u>	\$ 434.70	
 Loading Gravel for Seward Constr. Co.	\$ 588.00		
Work for Victor Jarvis at Sub-Station	\$ 621.00		

## DOG LICENSES ISSUED 1961

By April 1st

136 males	@ \$2.00	-----	\$272.00
30 females	@ \$6.00	-----	180.00
66 spayed	@ \$2.00	-----	132.00

After April 1st

19 males	@ \$3.00	-----	57.00
6 females	@ \$9.00	-----	54.00
15 spayed	@ \$3.00	-----	45.00

After October 1st

3 males	@ \$1.00	-----	3.00
1 spayed	@ \$1.00	-----	1.00

\$744.00

Fees to Clerk

276 @ 25¢	-----	69.00
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Town Treasurer \$675.00

Many people secure their dog licenses by mail. Mail old license and remittance to: Weathersfield Town Clerk, Perkinsville, Vermont before April 1st. Dog licenses are due by April 1st. Dogs should be licensed as soon as four months of age. The fee for late licensing is fifty per cent more. A spaying certificate is necessary to license a dog as a spayed female. The Town Office in Perkinsville is open on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. excepting on holidays.

Elizabeth G. Murray - TOWN CLERK

## OVERSEER'S REPORT

Surplus Food Commodities are a big factor in keeping the Overseer's expenditures at a reasonable level. An average of 70 persons per month received these surpluses at a nominal cost to the town. Total output for the year exceed seven tons.

Medical and hospital costs accounted for approximately two-thirds of the total expenditures. 1962 will be no exception.

### SUMMARY 1961

Medical and Hospital	\$1,911.14
Groceries, Fuel, Lights, Rent	466.47
Aid to Dependent Children	362.93
Surplus Commodities	195.10
Services, Supplies, Mileage	<u>261.67</u>
	\$3,197.31
Receipts from Individuals	<u>338.00</u>
Net Cost	\$2,859.31

D. M. Kelley

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS  
CAMPBELL FUND

CONNOR FUND

January 1, 1961 balance	\$3,121.40
Receipts:	
Dividends	48.00
Capital Gains	104.00
Interest on Treasury Notes	<u>47.50</u>
	3,320.90
Disbursements:	
Dental work	\$ 32.00
Eye exams and lens	<u>101.00</u>
Dec. 31, '61 Balance	<u>\$3,187.90</u>
Assets:	
Treasury Notes	\$1,000.00
200 shares Amer. Mutual	1,888.00
Checking Account	<u>299.90</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$3,187.90</u>

HOISINGTON FUND

January 1, 1961 balance	\$2,472.85
Receipts:	
Dividends	25.00
Capital Gains	64.00
Int. on Savings Acct.	<u>34.91</u>
	\$2,596.76

Disbursements:

Maintenance of Field	\$\$ 15.00	15.00
Dec. 31, '61 Balance		<u>\$2,581.76</u>

Assets:

Savings Account	\$1,189.91	
100 shares Inv. Co. of America	1,034.00	
Checking Account	310.85	
Cash on hand	<u>47.00</u>	
Dec. 31, '61	TOTAL	<u>\$2,581.76</u>

Helen W. May  
Percy I. Bliss  
Andrew A. Titcomb  
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS

PROCTOR LIBRARY STATEMENT

Balance - January 1, 1961

U. S. Bonds	\$3,000.00
Cash on hand and in bank	174.12

Receipts:

Appropriation	\$600.00
Interest on Bonds	75.00
Donations	14.50
Fines	<u>19.95</u>
	709.45
	\$3,883.57

Expenditures:

Salaries	\$230.00
Fuel	134.60
Electricity	47.23
Insurance	54.82
Books and magazines	147.46
Maintenance	44.50
Bank charges	2.00
Care - Cemetery Lot	1.50
Library Supplies	23.82
Perkinsville Fines (left for book purchase)	13.98
Miscellaneous	<u>12.75</u>
	712.66
	<u>712.66</u>
	\$3,170.91

Balance, January 1, 1962

U. S. Bonds	\$3,000.00
Cash on hand and in bank	<u>170.91</u>
	\$3,170.91

Circulation: Ascutney 4067  
Perkinsville 889

Books and Magazines donated:

Mrs. Maude Farnsworth	Mrs. Gladys Rogers
Mrs. Thor Ljungren	Mrs. Guy Raymond
Miss Jessie Fisher	Mrs. Raymond Harvey
Mrs. Ray Zigman	Mrs. James MacKimmie
Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Titcomb	Mrs. Keith Spaulding
Mrs. Claude Butterfield	Mrs. Alan Hitchcock
Mrs. Irving Russell	Mrs. Lillian Orr
Mr. Harold Carruth	Mrs. William Fellows
Mr. & Mrs. Carl Johnson	Mrs. Leon Cleveland
Mr. John Wright	

## REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The annual labor on the various cemeteries was carried on as usual with two exceptions.

The Tolles Cemetery, east of the Center, was cleared up by the Precision Valley 4-H Club of North Springfield under the direction of their leader, Mrs. James Ward. Later, this same group placed a sign on the Goulden Ridge Road marking the spot where a road (now abandoned) once was, that led to this outlying cemetery.

Two other 4-H Clubs, the Happy Cookers and the Rangers of Amsden and Greenbush took over the spring cleaning and summer care of the Greenbush Cemetery with the help of their leaders, Mrs. Robert Smith and Miss Mary Williams, Edward Williams and Robert Smith, with their power mowers.

These three 4-H Clubs are to be commended for the fine jobs they did to help the town improve these cemeteries.

The Tuttle Cemetery, north of the Bow, also had a thorough cleaning out of the poison ivy and brush. This was done by Philip Butterfield. The Hubbard, at the Bow, still needs extra work done on it to clean out the underbrush and bushes that have grown up there. We are including with our report, a copy of one recently received from the U. S. Army Engineers Division of New England, which speaks for itself.

The pictures, maps and materials will be found with the other cemetery records at the Town Office, so that anyone interested may see them any time the vault is open. The pictures really tell a story.

Respectfully submitted,  
Louise W. Covell  
Claude T. Butterfield  
Andrew A. Titcomb  
Clarence H. Martin  
Grace Stevens

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Letter dated 13 November 1961 from U. S. ARMY ENGINEER DIVISION,  
NEW ENGLAND CORPS OF ENGINEERS, 424 Trapelo Rd., Waltham, Mass.

Board of Cemetery Commissioners  
Town of Weathersfield, Vermont  
Perkinsville, Vermont

RE: North Springfield Dam and Reservoir Project, Civil #2736 -  
Relocation of Grout Cemetery

Dear Sirs:

By Warranty Deed dated October 1, 1959, the Phil Rando Company conveyed the relocated Grout Cemetery to the Town of Weathersfield. In order that interested parties may be properly informed in the matter of this cemetery relocation, we have prepared a final report reciting the complete information and material including photographs, maps, and narrative of this cemetery relocation.

Transmitted herewith is a copy of the final report for the permanent files of the cemetery association. Other copies have been distributed to the United States District Court, Rutland, Vermont, the Town of Weathersfield Land Records and the Dam Tender at the North Springfield Flood Control Project.

Your cooperation in this matter is sincerely appreciated.

Sincerely yours,  
J. M. GEOGHEGAN  
Chief, Real Estate Division

## CEMETERY ACCOUNT

December 31, 1961

Funds Invested as follows:

U.S. Series G. Bonds @ 2½% -----	\$1,100.00
U.S. Treasury Bonds @ 3½% -----	1,500.00
U.S. Treasury Bonds @ 4% -----	2,500.00
U.S. Treasury Bonds @ 4-3/4% -----	3,000.00
514 shares George Putnam Fund -----	7,917.57
169 shares Mass. Investors Trust -----	2,477.90
Savings Acct. Vt. Nat. & Savings Bank---	<u>1,410.70</u>
	<u>\$19,906.17</u>

Income From Investments:

Interest from Bonds -----	\$ 340.01
"    "    Treasury Notes 3½% -----	48.76
"    "    "    4% -----	100.00
"    "    "    4-3/4% -----	142.50
Dividend from Geo. Putnam Fund -----	521.85
"    "    Mass. Investors Trust -----	99.51
Int. from Vt. Nat. & Savings Bank -----	<u>31.18</u>
	<u>\$ 1,283.81</u>

Other Income

Received for care of lots -----	\$ 175.00
	<u>\$ 1,458.81</u>

Disbursements

Withdrawn from Savings Bank for Chk. Acct	\$ 600.00
Pur. of 17 shares of Geo. Putnam Fund --	293.59
"    "    1 share of Mass. Inv. Trust ---	<u>16.70</u>
	<u>910.29</u>

Checking AccountReceipts:

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1961 -----	\$ 10.56
Withdrawn from Savings Bank -----	<u>600.00</u>
	<u>\$ 610.56</u>

Disbursements:

For care of lots -----	\$ 365.25
To cash account for Bow Cemetery -----	150.00
Plants for lots -----	18.00
Bank charges -----	<u>5.37</u>
	<u>\$ 538.62</u>

Balance in checking account -----	<u>\$ 71.94</u>
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Due Cemetery Commissioner for Cash Acct. -	\$35.59
Due General Fund for Social Security -----	\$ 8.06

## HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

Communicable diseases reported to your Health Office in 1961 were: Chicken Pox - 4 cases; Mumps - 1 case; Polio - 3 cases.

I am still not receiving all official reports of communicable diseases in the home, I will be able to know how widespread any particular disease is.

This year I have helped to organize an Infant and Pre-School clinic in Ascutney; have contacted volunteer help for the Polio Bus, have made appointments for polio vaccinations at the bus, and have investigated one sewerage problem. I am available to the Public Health Nurse for this town and to the townspeople for consultation on health problems in the Town.

May I urge everyone to complete, or to start, polio vaccinations this year? We had one fatal case of polio in Town this year. The vaccine protects almost everyone who receives the four shots.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Lois E. Cann

Mrs. Lois E. Cann, Health Officer

Vermont State Dept. of Health Annual Town Report, 1961

The following health services were available from State-Federal tax money and local voluntary contribution to protect the health of the people of Weathersfield, along with the people of the other towns and cities in Vermont. A tabulation of the principal State Health Department services which the residents of your town used last year\* follows:

With the aim of keeping children well and helping handicapped children, well-child and school conferences were attended by 62 children. Nutrition and dietary consultations numbered 4. At the request of attending doctors 2 children received pediatric consultations, 1 received hospital diagnosis, 3 with orthopedic, cardiac, plastic or neurological conditions received services or appliances through clinics for handicapped children and 1 given financial aid toward hospitalization costs.

In the effort to control communicable disease 19 persons received chest x-rays; 129 children received immunizations, including boosters, against diphtheria, whooping cough and/or tetanus. Polio immunizations, including boosters, were given 110 children and adults in clinics and conferences, and 150 people obtained immunizations during the summer mobile polio program. The state laboratory performed tests on 12 water samples, 0 food and dairy products, 31 blood specimens and 5 other specimens. Vaccines, antitoxins and biologicals were distributed for protection against communicable diseases.

There were 48 sanitary inspections or consultations made at the town's food and lodging places and 16 concerning water supply, sewage disposal, public buildings and other problems, to protect health through improved town sanitation.

To promote better dental health, 4 consultations and services were provided groups or individuals on town or school dental health problems.

In cancer work, two received diagnosis and treatment at tumor clinics or were financially helped with hospitalization costs.

All programs in the department offer educational services. Pamphlets, films, a news release and information service and speakers are available. A health educator is available to help town groups study their health problems and plan educational programs.

The public health nurse served at well-child and school conferences, x-ray and immunization clinics, assisted by local people. She visited homes, doctors, and agencies, making 646 visits on behalf of 224 persons and community health activities. Her service is an essential element in the department's program for health promotion, disease prevention, diagnosis, treatment and education.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. Aiken, M.D., M.P.H.  
Commissioner of Health

\*To show the amount of services and have this available by the time your town report is prepared we have tabulated most of our services in the 12 month period ending September 30, although some are in the fiscal year ending June 30th.

## FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

I have issued 39 fire permits in 1961. We have had no bad fires in the woods this year for which we are very thankful and I wish to thank the People in Town for being so cooperative in looking out for fires. The price of Pack Pumps is still the same \$28.70 for brass and \$16.50 for galvanized ones. In general, a fire permit is needed if there is no snow on the ground and the fire is to be within 200 feet of woodland or fields containing dry grass adjacent to woodlands. If you wish to burn, call your warden and he will give you detailed information as to when and where a permit is needed.

John T. Connor, Warden  
Tel. Perkinsville 263-2334

## REPORT OF ASCUTNEY DISTRICT FIRE WARDEN

Your town Fire Warden is pleased that there were no fires of consequence during 1961. We can give the same report next year with your help and the same coooperation shown in previous years.

Your Warden requests you to keep the following telephone numbers near your telephone: P. I. Bliss, Town Fire Warden, Windsor 387-M2; John Connor, Dept. Fire Warden, Tel. 263-2334. Assoc. Volunteer Fire Dept., Melvin Butterfield, Chief, Windsor 687M4.

All forest and grass fires should be reported to the Fire Warden first as it is his job to evaluate conditions at the time. All fires of this type are definitely the Fire Warden's responsibility.

Hazardous conditions can be reported to Warden, who in turn must report to the Selectmen for definite action. Reference is made to bad illegal dump procedures.

Percy I. Bliss, Town Fire Warden

## TOWN CONSTABLE'S REPORT

This officer's duties have been many this year, what with the Bicentennial and its various demands upon the department. We have had requests for an officer for new areas of need this year. Some of the services that were called for and were given by my branch of the town law enforcement department were:

- Officiate at Public Meetings as Peace Officer.
- Patrol town highways; on watch for speeders.
- Patrol some areas in town where trouble was known to exist.
- Check on trucks that were suspected of overloading.
- Chase and aid in capture of thieves.
- Apprehension of subject for Parole violation.
- Arrests for intoxication, and D.W.I.
- Road blocks for checking for escapes.
- Search for night prowlers.
- Serve legal papers.
- Aid neighboring towns in an emergency.
- Supply escort for injured and sick patients to hospital.
- Deliver messages in an emergency.
- Take care of stray animals.
- Act as Truant Officer.
- Chase up Dog Tax delinquents.
- Work with other agencies on delinquencies in our town.

All of these branches of participation call for and show what a great part fast communications have in the final result. Many successful conclusions were reached only by aid of two-way radio.

I wish to thank all who were at all connected with aiding me in my work this year and must include all people as a whole because the general public is peace and law abiding, "thank God". Many thanks and wishes for future prosperity.

Richard A. Connor

## REPORT OF BI-CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

I hereby submit a report as chairman of the Bi-Centennial Committee.

When it was suggested that I be elected to serve as Chairman of the Weathersfield Bi-Centennial Committee, I accepted with mixed emotions. At the time, with my full schedule, it seemed almost an impossibility. However, when I visualized the possibilities of such a celebration, it appealed to me as a challenge and something that the town needed to do.

My first thought was to draw up a plan whereby the two sides of the town could be drawn more closely together and so I requested that each organization send delegates to a planning meeting. The response was overwhelming and from then on, the interest and cooperation of the Committee was all that could be desired.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of my committee for their work and cooperation and attendance at monthly meetings, the townspeople for their help and interest, the town officials for their willingness to cooperate financially, the author, Thelma Hoisington, Percy Bliss and the sponsors for the Historical Booklets and all the many others who worked hard to make our Bi-Centennial celebration a success. Our secretary, Lois Child and treasurer, Robert Harrington deserve a very special word of praise. A set of Picture Slides taken by C. A. Murray will be retained as a momento of this occasion.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene P. Hoyt, Chairman

Weathersfield Bi-Centennial Committee

## REPORT OF CIVIL DEFENSE CHAIRMAN

Your chairman wishes to state that a strong organization is being formed mostly on east side of the town with nearly 50 members performing the duties of the different C. D. Officers. We have a Radiological Defense team of eight certified operators. We also have qualified for and received from the State Civil Defense one 777 detection kit including dosimeters. Geiger counters and gas masks are on hand. Your chairman also has a 6 meter radio (loaned) by Dist. #4 net coordinator. Call No. is BF811.

Increased activity of C.D. is anticipated this year, including storage of emergency supplies and a fall-out shelter program.

Percy I. Bliss, Town Chairman, C.D.

## VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

This is the twenty-sixth annual report which has been made to the citizens of WEATHERSFIELD regarding State payments on behalf of persons who applied from your municipality for the various types of assistance and welfare during 1961. We intend to set up a system of records for the next calendar year which will permit us to report in detail the town or city's participation in the operation of the Federal and/or State assistance programs.

The support and cooperation of town officers and people generally over this period is gratefully acknowledged.

Old Age assistance	\$8,261.45
Aid to the Blind	900.00
Aid to Dependent Children *	2,580.00
Aid to the Disabled	152.77
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,894.22</b>

John J. Wackerman  
Commissioner

\* One-eighth paid by the town or city unless family is non-settled.

STATE OF VERMONT  
Department of Administration  
Montpelier

Auditors  
Town of Weathersfield

Dear Sirs:

In accordance with No. 40 of the Public Acts of 1961, I here-with send statement of money paid your town by the state for the year ended December 31, 1961.

<u>Date</u>		<u>Amount</u>
1/17/61	Forests & Parks, Fire Fighting	38.28
4/17/61	Highway, State Aid	1,349.75
5/3/61	Highway, State Aid	589.00
5/23/61	Water Resources, Reimbursement	1.14
5/23/61	Water Resources, Reimbursement	638.65
6/26/61	Highway, State Aid	1,380.74
7840	08 03 61 Conn. River Flood Control Comm.	3,193.24
8346	08 07 61 Fish & Game Dept.	29.90
9064	08 09 61 Forest Parks	32.18
34657	11 13 61 Constr. Maint. on State Aid Highways	200.00
44835	12 18 61 Constr. Maint. on State Aid Highways	4,803.56
45720	12 20 61 Constr. & Maint. on Town Highway	14,417.43
47118	12 27 61 Constr. Maint. on State Aid Highways	150.00
39732	12 01 61 Education State Aid	26,575.74

TREASURER'S STATEMENT

School Account

Jan. 1, 1961 Cash on hand & bank	\$ 8,582.40
Receipts for 1961	134,222.50
	<u>\$142,804.90</u>

Disbursements:

Administration:

Salaries -----	\$ 3,149.13
Others -----	133.28

Instructional:

Salaries -----	39,062.04
Books -----	1,477.81
Supplies -----	1,570.69

Health -----	236.26
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Transportation -----	9,516.66
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Operation of Plant:

Salaries -----	1,907.82
Heat -----	2,106.95
Electricity -----	1,346.05
Supplies -----	312.64
Telephone -----	179.69

Maintenance -----	2,589.72
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Repayment of Loans -----	42,000.00
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Fixed Charges -----	1,387.18
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Capital Outlay -----	62.36
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Bonds & Interest -----	5,095.00
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Tuition -----	30,805.16
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Misc. -----	<u>5.43</u> <u>\$142,943.87</u>
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January 1, 1962	DEFICIT	\$ 138.97
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SCHEDULE OF BONDED DEBT

Date	Principal	Int. due Mar. 1	Int. due Sept. 1	
1955	--	--	\$787.50	\$ 787.50 pd.
1956	\$4,000.00	\$787.50	742.50	5,530.00 pd.
1957	4,000.00	742.50	697.50	5,440.00 pd.
1958	4,000.00	697.50	652.50	5,350.00 pd.
1959	4,000.00	652.50	607.50	5,260.00 pd.
1960	4,000.00	607.50	562.50	5,170.00 pd.
1961	4,000.00	562.50	517.50	5,080.00 pd.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Enrollments:		1960-61	1961-62
Elementary Pupils in Town		246	245
Out of Town		0	0
	Total	246	245
High School Pupils:			
Springfield		45	49
Windsor		31	31
Others		2	2
	Total	78	82

Elementary Enrollment Distribution for Past Five Years:

School	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Amsden	1957	6	6	4	6	6				28
"	1958	3	6	4	5	4				22
"	1959	4	2	5	4	4				19
"	1960	7	3	3	4	4				21
"	1961	6	7	4	1	6				24
Ascutney	1957	8	6	10	8	7	13	10	15	77
"	1958	11	9	7	11	12	8	16	11	81
"	1959	13	8	6	8	9	16	7	15	82
"	1960	7	14	9	8	7	12	17	18	82
"	1961	8	9	18	7	9	10	12	15	88
Marsh	1957	12	6	6	5	2	3	1		35
"	1958	4	8	7	5	4				28
"	1959	6	2	7	6	5		1		27
"	1960	6	7	3	8	5				29
"	1961	5	5	8	2	5				25
Perkinsville	1957	13	15	18	11	13	14	13	14	111
"	1958	18	12	16	16	9	19	17	12	119
"	1959	13	17	13	10	17	13	19	13	115
"	1960	15	15	17	10	14	15	14	14	114
"	1961	8	13	17	14	10	18	14	14	108

The teachers in our schools are now:

Amsden (grades 1 thru 5)	Mrs. Evelyn McCoy
Ascutney (grades 1, 2 & 3)	Mrs. Dorothy Paire (thru Dec.)
	Mrs. Iris Way (at present)
Ascutney (grades 4, 5 & 6)	Mrs. Grace Stillson
Ascutney (grades 7 & 8)	Mr. Edward Fallon, Principal
Marsh (grades 1 thru 5)	Mrs. Vera Johnson
Perkinsville (grades 1 & 2)	Mrs. Marcella Basso
Perkinsville (grades 3 & 4)	Mrs. M. Virginia Bellows
Perkinsville (grades 5 & 6)	Mr. George Goodheart, Principal
Perkinsville (grades 7 & 8)	Mr. Lee Carter

The total elementary school enrollment in the town has remained fairly constant over at least the past five years; but there has been a steady increase in the enrollment at Ascutney, offset by the decreased enrollment in Perkinsville due to the homes removed by the flood basin and by the intentionally decreased enrollment in the previously over crowded one-room schools. Since there now are 35 children in the primary room in Ascutney, steps are being taken to divide this group and use the church basement as a temporary extra classroom. A census of the pre-schoolers in Ascutney indicates that during each of the next five years 2 or 3 more pupils will enter school than will leave it. The effects of present and planned home construction, interstate highway construction workers' families moving in in trailers, and growth resulting from proximity to the interstate highway interchange will undoubtedly add steadily to the school population of Ascutney. Other areas of the town are not expected to have a declining school population in the future, so there is little chance of absorbing Ascutney's surplus elsewhere. For these reasons an addition to the Ascutney School building is being considered. The School Directors have had the benefit of discussing this subject with all four Parent Teacher groups and are planning to have a town-wide discussion meeting soon. The legal and other details are expected to be properly taken care of in time to permit presenting a definite building proposal to the voters at a Special Town Meeting some evening early in April or late in March.

School expenses unfortunately continue to go up, but in general the rising costs are accompanied by rising quality of education and increased amounts of fringe services which are slowly becoming part of the school program expected by the parents. The estimated budget is higher than last year's expenses mainly because the cost of an additional teacher and of the fuel, utilities, and maintenance of an additional classroom are included. The amount of tax funds estimated to be required for school operation also increased because the School Directors last year intentionally estimated closely enough (with the resultant drop in the school tax rate) to eliminate the \$8000 surplus which last year prepaid part of our budget.

Maintenance is quite well under control and has been mostly of a routine rather than emergency nature. The furnaces have performed very well, and the water and sewage systems have been receiving enough attention so that they soon can be expected to be reliable. The exteriors of the two new buildings have been painted, and minor repairs and touching up have been done at all buildings. We are pleased to be the only town in the School District to have received essentially no criticism from the Fire Marshal; however, this won't last long since other towns have already been asked to make some improvements which we have not been asked to make.

Our teachers are continuing to bring to our schools the benefits from the various courses they are taking. Typical subjects are Advanced Art, American History, Elementary Guidance, Children's Literature, Individual Testing, Math & Science, Reading, and Social Studies.

Music, under the direction of Mrs. LeMay, continues to be part of the program in all four schools. Sports have not yet become as much a part of the school program as we would like, but in Perkinsville Mr. Goodheart has sports well established.

The Parent Teacher groups add much to the completeness of our schools, not only through their hot lunch and insurance programs and their gifts of books and equipment, but also through their efforts to work with the teachers and school directors to improve our education program continuously.

We have again attempted to estimate our budget as closely as possible so as to avoid having any significant surplus or deficit at the end of the year. The cost of operating one additional classroom has been included in the estimates, but principal or interest payments on a new building have not been included. Such payments would be small enough during the first year to permit absorbing them in the budget at the risk of a slight deficit if the voters do approve a new building. We expect to be able to meet expenses for the year 1962 with a tax rate of 4.19.

Respectfully submitted,

Roald Cann  
Roger Eastman  
Esther Young

SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Julian R. Thompson

Superintendent

William H. Lawton

Elementary Supervisor

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

R E C E I P T S

	Actual 1961	Estimated 1962
Balance or (Deficit)	\$ 8,582.40	\$ (138.97)
State Aid	26,575.74	26,500.00
Taxes	60,296.99	79,578.79
Reimbursement of Flood Dam Losses	3,881.02	4,000.00
Credit from 1960 General Fund	391.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>1,077.75</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$100,804.90	\$110,940.00

E X P E N S E S

Administration		
Salaries	\$ 3,149.13	\$ 3,400.00
Other Expenses	138.31	200.00
Instruction		
Teachers' Salaries	39,030.40	44,700.00
Books	1,432.96	1,500.00
Supplies	1,635.58	1,500.00
Health Services	236.26	500.00
Transportation	9,516.66	10,000.00
Operation of Plant		
Salaries	1,905.82	2,100.00
Heat	2,108.95	2,400.00
Electricity	1,346.05	1,700.00
Telephone	179.69	300.00
Supplies	312.64	500.00
Maintenance of Plant	2,589.72	2,000.00
Equipment	39.95	500.00
Fixed Charges		
Insurance	672.67	700.00
Interest on Current Loans	718.51	900.00
Other	23.00	50.00
Debt Service		
Principal	4,000.00	4,000.00
Interest	1,080.00	990.00
Tuition	<u>30,805.16</u>	<u>33,000.00</u>
	<u>\$100,943.87</u>	<u>\$110,940.00</u>

DISTRIBUTION OF EXPENDITURES (1960 - 1961)

	<u>Perkinsville</u>	<u>Amstden</u>	<u>Ascutney</u>	<u>Marsh</u>	<u>Total</u>
Average Daily Membership	113.92	21.11	80.82	27.37	243.11
Supervision	\$ 956.22	\$ 239.16	\$ 717.46	\$ 239.16	\$ 2,152.00
School Board	155.55	38.89	116.66	38.90	350.00
Office	408.43	102.43	481.38	102.32	1,094.56
Teachers' Salaries	17,189.83	3,570.20	13,191.73	3,818.36	37,770.12
Textbooks	528.39	79.62	413.77	123.94	1,145.72
Educational Supplies	552.54	336.20	469.48	162.31	1,520.53
Health	127.03	30.45	96.86	30.46	284.80
Transportation	3,935.00	640.00	3,948.38	1,186.00	9,709.38
Janitor Salaries	732.25	243.13	710.00	191.00	1,876.38
Heat	1,046.81	226.43	596.54	276.73	2,146.51
Utilities	390.38	208.67	745.16	182.80	1,527.01
Janitor Supplies	240.19	33.98	200.03	47.29	521.49
Repairs and Replacements	471.92	145.94	519.63	1,015.02	2,152.51
Furniture and Equipment (New)	51.77		32.00	34.11	117.88
Insurance	262.95	69.00	237.50	79.80	649.25
Interest on Current Loans	306.09	76.53	229.57	76.53	688.72
	<u>\$27,355.35</u>	<u>\$6,040.63</u>	<u>\$22,706.15</u>	<u>\$7,604.73</u>	<u>\$63,706.86</u>
Average Cost Per Pupil	240.12	287.65	280.94	277.85	262.05
Cost of Local Schools					\$63,706.86
Tuition, Secondary					<u>29,385.75</u>
Total					<u>\$93,092.61</u>
Loan					42,000.00
Bond					4,000.00
Interest					<u>1,125.00</u>
					<u>\$140,217.61</u>

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BIRTHS

Name of Child	Sex	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Residence	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
Laurie Ann Ambrose	F	Jan. 12	Springfield	Perkinsville	Lawrence A. Ambrose	Mildred Elinor Williams
Kim Marie Fallon	F	Jan. 22	Windsor	Weathersfield	Edward P. Fallon	Christine Marie Austin
Donald Melvin Cann	M	Jan. 28	Weathersfield	Weathersfield	Roald Cann	Lois Estelle Jenkins
Angela Mary Richardson	F	Feb. 11	Springfield	Perkinsville	Dennis G. Richardson	Dorothy Ann Phillips
Wendy Sue Davidson	F	Feb. 20	Windsor	Perkinsville	Malcolm James Davidson	Betty Jean Brown
Lori Ann Stoodley	F	Mar. 31	Windsor	Perkinsville	Gordon R. Stoodley	Gloria Jean Gisele Vincent
Glenford Aldis McAllister, Jr.	M	Apr. 10	Windsor	Weathersfield	Bow	Glenford A. McAllister, Sr.
Patti Lynn Houghton	F	Apr. 15	Windsor	Ascutney	Royal Elwin Houghton	Ruth May Butterfield
Dale Mervyn Willey	M	Apr. 24	Springfield	Weathersfield	Mervyn F. Willey	Marilyn Joyce Trask
Douglas Howard Connor	M	May 17	Springfield	Weathersfield	Arthur T. Connor	Phyllis Farnsworth
Patricia Ruth Bruce	F	June 1	Springfield	Perkinsville	Richard H. Bruce	Rebecca Frances Woodbury
Dawna Laura Vose	F	June 9	Springfield	Weathersfield	Floyd B. Vose	Shirley Estelle Dunn
Gerald I. Millay	M	July 17	Springfield	Perkinsville	Lawrence I. Millay	Audrey Marie Bacon
Raymond Bernard Buck	M	Aug. 21	Springfield	Ascutney	Ray B. Buck	Marlene Madge Perry
Matthew Roy Pemp	M	Sept. 14	Windsor	Ascutney	David R. Pemp	Beverly Thorburn
Lynne Carol Dodsworth	F	Sept. 20	Springfield	Perkinsville	Errol L. Dodsworth	Priscilla Mae Bijoule
Dale Edward Emery	M	Sept. 21	Springfield	Perkinsville	Max E. Emery	Carolyn Fern Bean
						Joyce Maude King

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>D E A T H S</u>	<u>Place of Burial</u>
					<u>1 9 6 0</u>	
Julia Newell Green	F	97	Dec. 17	Brattleboro, Vt.	1 9 6 1	Weathersfield
Margaret N. Butterfield	F	95	Jan. 1	Springfield	Springfield	Grout Cemetery
Arthur H. Amerige	M	81	Jan. 6	Windsor	Weathersfield	Claremont, N.H.
Anna Josephine Williams	F	51	Jan. 18	Rutland	Weathersfield	Pittsford, Vt.
Floyd Henry Shattuck	M	72	Mar. 5	Perkinsville	Weathersfield	Springfield, Vt.
Gladys Noble	F	72	Mar. 16	Windsor	Ascutney	Hardwick, Mass.
Lucy Celia Bradish	F	75	Mar. 26	Springfield	Weathersfield	Plain Cemetery
W. Eugene Moore	M	92	Apr. 20	Claremont	Weathersfield	Weathersfield Bow
Margaret Hatch	F	74	July 2	Springfield	Springfield	Weathersfield Bow
Thor Hagbert Ljunggren	M	68	July 5	Perkinsville	Weathersfield	(Remov. Vt. Med. College
George C. Warren	M	66	Aug. 30	New York, N.Y.	-	Burlington
Gertrude Baker	F	65	Aug. 30	Weathersfield	Boston	Weathersfield Bow
Carroll Brown	M	32	Sept. 17	Hanover, N. H.	Weathersfield	Jamaica Plain, Mass.
Emma Lovina Hackett	F	85	Oct. 15	Torrance, Cal.	Formerly of	Plain Cemetery
Maude W. Hatch	F	70	Oct. 25	Windsor	Weathersfield	Inglewood, Calif.
Frank C. Hatch	M	74	Nov. 10	Windsor	-	Weathersfield Bow
Howard Murl Taggart	M	35	Dec. 5	Greenfield, Mass.	Greenfield, Mass.	Ascutneyville Cemetery
Carrie Abbie Upham	F	87	Dec. 11	Springfield	Springfield	Plain Cemetery
Henry Jay Chapman	M	73	Dec. 18	Perkinsville	Weathersfield	Springfield
Lulu Beebe Lyon	F	87	Dec. 22	Port Chester, NY	Port Chester, NY	Plain Cemetery

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M A R R I A G E S

<u>Name of Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Name of Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Place of Marriage</u>
Floyd Burbee Vose	Alstead, N.H.	Audrey Marie Burroughs	Alstead, N.H.	April 19 Weathersfield
Kenneth Edwin Murray	Perkinsville	Katherine Marie Johnson	Springfield	April 29
Robert James Kidder	Ascutney	Frances Ann Wyman	Reading	May 27
Wayne Earl Collins	Newport Ctr., Vt.	Jean Marie Rash	Weathersfield	June 3
Harold Wendell Freeman	Dedham, Mass.	Margaret Fottler Haine	Dedham, Mass.	June 3
James Earl Magoon	Reading	Norma Jeanette Brown	Weathersfield	July 8
Grayson Alvin Stone	Claremont	Edith Elizabeth Howard	Claremont	July 29
Homer Zeno Howe, Jr.	Weathersfield	Bonnie Jean Manley	Springfield	Aug. 19
Charles Albert Moore	Highland Falls, NY	Janice Mabel Green	Weathersfield	Oct. 9
Hiram Allen	Hartland	Lois Gardner	Weathersfield	Oct. 14
Roscoe Anthony Folmsbee	Weathersfield	Dorothy Frances Baker	Weathersfield	Oct. 14
Thomas Gary Elliot	Weathersfield	Marcella Anne Webbe	Springfield	Nov. 22
			Springfield	

W A R N I N G  
WEATHERSFIELD TOWN MEETING, TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 1962

The legal voters of the Town of Weathersfield and Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet in the Town Hall in Weathersfield, Vermont, on Tuesday, March 6, A.D. 1962 at 10:00 A.M. to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator and a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2. Shall licenses for sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted in this Town? Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this Town?

The vote under this article shall be by ballot and the ballot box shall be open at 10:00 A.M. and closed at 3:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 3. To act upon the reports of the Town Officers for the year ending December 31, 1961.

ARTICLE 4. Will the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to be used in conjunction with State Funds for building approximately one mile of hard surface on the Center Road, these funds if voted to be matched by the State, their share being \$4,000.00.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen and the School Directors to borrow money, if necessary, to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to pay Town Officers and what amount.

ARTICLE 7. To elect Town and School Officers for the year.

ARTICLE 8. Will the Town authorize the auditors of the town to employ the services of an accountant from the office of the auditor of accounts as provided in Title 24, Section 1692 and Sections 1693-1697 of this title to conduct an audit of the accounts of the town? (By law.)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$600.00 for the Proctor Library and the Perkinsville Branch; \$50.00 of this sum to be used for the purchase of books to be added to the War Memorial Library.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to print in the Town Report the names of delinquent taxpayers and amounts due from each.

ARTICLE 11. To see what amount the Town will authorize the School Directors to pay for secondary tuition for the school year 1962-1963.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to exempt the Connecticut River Grange and Hawk's Mountain Grange from taxation?

(By petition)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will accept a trust fund of \$150.00 for perpetual care for the Franklin Roys lots at the Plain Cemetery to be known as the Edwin Roys Fund. (By request)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will accept a \$25.00 increase to the Carrie Whipple Fund established in the Plain Cemetery trust funds. (By request.)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote for the installation of a toilet in the Town Hall the cost of this to be approximately \$1,000.00.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$500.00 for resealing and repair of approximately 1 mile of black top on the Center Road. (These funds if voted to be matched by the State, their share being \$1,000.00).

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to allow a 4% discount on all taxes paid prior to becoming delinquent.

ARTICLE 18. To see what tax rate the Town will vote to pay the current expenses of said Town for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to collect taxes in the manner provided by statute:

To pay taxes to Town Treasurer.

To have poll taxes due May 15 and delinquent after May 31st.

To have real and personal property taxes due August 1 and delinquent after November 1st.

To charge interest on delinquent taxes at the rate of one-half per cent per month or fraction thereof.

ARTICLE 20. To transact any other business necessary and proper.

Dated at Weathersfield, Vermont  
February 14, 1962

J. Philip Stapleton  
Delmer M. Kelley  
Irving A. McCoy

SELECTMEN OF WEATHERSFIELD, VT.

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Mr. & Mrs. Clifton Bradish  
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